



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: ANTI-BACTERIAL POLYMER AND METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF, ANTI-BACTERIAL POLYMER FILM AND METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF, AND ARTICLE HAVING SUCH A FILM ON THE SURFACE THEREOF

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

July 20, 2006

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 20, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.